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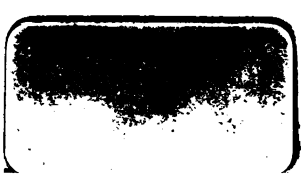

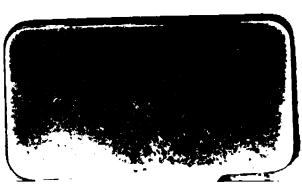

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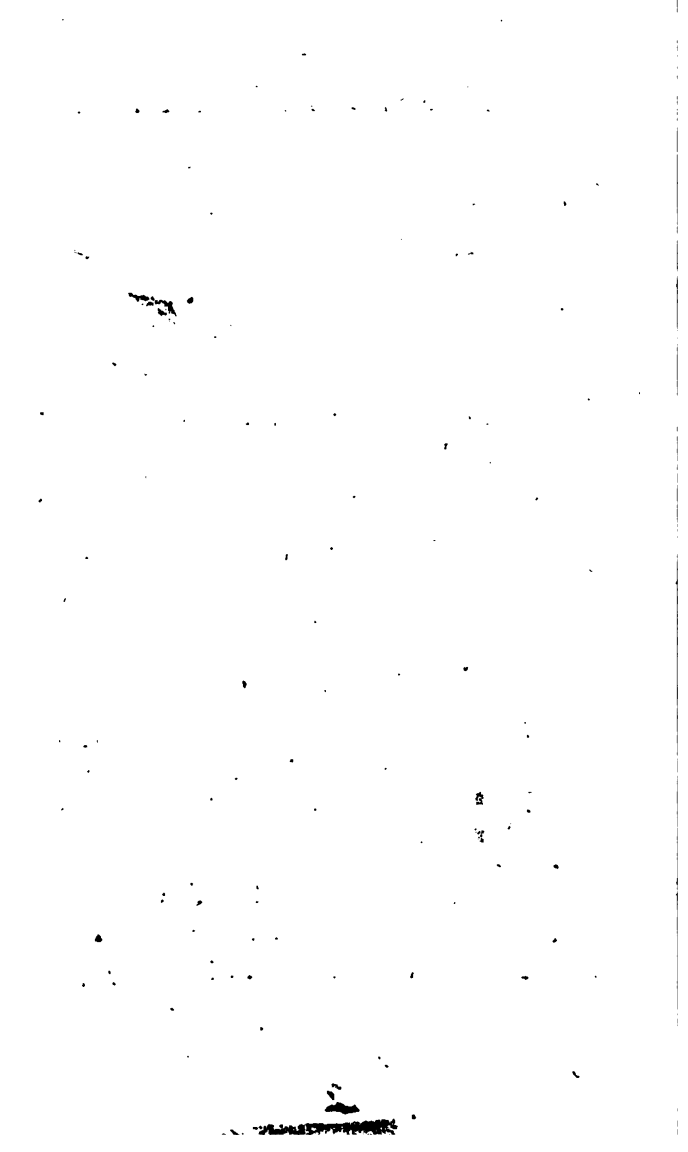

A

BRIEF DESCRIPTION

OF THE

COLLEGIATE CHURCH &c.

The TOWER,

IN which are ten moſt muſical Bells and Chimes, is at the weſt End of the Church, erected on groin Arches ſupported by four Piers, between which is a free Paſſage for Coaches &c. Its Height to the Top of the Battlements is 150 Feet. To the Top of the Pinacles is 174 Feet. Its Diameter at the Baſs 32 feet 6 In. at the Summit 27 feet the Length of the Church (including the Choir) is 186 feet 1 inch. The Breadth 66 Feet. The croſs Iſle is 106 Feet and a half. The Height of the Roof 42 Feet and a half. The Length of the Choir 77 Feet 3 Inches. The Breadth

27 Feet 4 Inches. Againſt the North, Weſt, and South Sides of the Tower are three DIALS belonging to the CLOCK, alſo this Inſcription.

TEMPLUM B: MARIÆ COLLEGIATUM, PRIMITUS A ROG: DE NOVO BURGO COM: WAR: TEMP STEPH: R: INSTAURATUM POSTEA A THO: DE BELLO-CAMPO C, WAR: EX TOTO REEDIFICATUM ANNO, M CCC XCIIII CONFLAGRATIONE STUPENDA, NON ARIS, NON FOCIS PARCENTE, DIRUTUM VI. SEP. M DC XCIIII. NOVUM HOC, PIETATE PUBLICA INCHOATUM, ET PROVECTUM; REGIA ABSOLUTUM EST: SUB LÆTIS ANNÆ AUSPICIIS, ANNO MEMORABILI MDCCIIII.

Thus TRANSLATED.

The Collegiate Church of St. MARY firſt repair'd by Roger Newburg Earl of WARWICK, in the Time of King STEPHEN, afterward wholly rebuilt by Thomas Beauchamp Earl of Warwick in the year 1394;—being deſtroy'd 1694 by a dreadfull FIRE ſparing neither Temples nor Houſes, this new Church began and carried on by the publick, was finiſh'd by royal Piety, under the joyfull Auſpices of ANN in the memorable year 1704.

At the weſt End of this Church are three

three Entrances, the Principal of which is under the Tower, againſt the ſaid Wall in the Church are two Boxes to receive Alms. that towards the North for the Relief of the Poor when ſick, the other towards the South for the uſe of the Charity School; In the Entrance of the middle Iſle is a capacious marble Font, the Decorations gilt, Further on are erected elegant and ſpacious Galleries, two very large Branches of poliſh'd Braſs; and near the upper End, on the ſouth Side of an exceeding neat Pulpit, fix'd to a Pillar is a Time Piece, and to an oppoſite Pillar towards the North are the Queens Arms; at the Extremity of this Iſle runs a croſs Iſle North and South, in the Centre of which is the Entrance of the Choir, by a Pair of Iron Gates of good Workmanſhip, over which is a ſtately Loft, and an excellent Organ built by Thomas Swarebrick.

Between the Pulpit and the Entrance of the Choir is a Vault belonging to that truly worthy Family the WISES of the PRIORY Warwick, over which are laid two large flat Stones with the following Superſcriptions. In

In the Vault underneath, lyeth the Body of HENRY WISE Esq; late of the Priory who departed this Life December 15th 1738 aged 85 years.

Mrs.
PATIENCE WISE died December the Seventh 1751.
In the 78th year of her Age.

Let me die the Death of the Righteous
And let my last End be like Her's;

On the East Wall, north of the Chancel Gates is a marble Monument with a latin Inscription to the Memory of John Gibbons.

Immortalitatem beatam expectans
Hic jacet Joannes Gibbons
In agro Staffordiensi ex Honesta
Stirpe Oriundus
Vir Probus, modestus, vere, et
ex Animo Christianus
Qui rebus adversis diu probatus, sed
non fractus, provecta ætate,
In amæniſſium hoc vervicum
Præsidium secesit;
Ubi quod ævi Supererat,

Deo

Deo soli dicavit, et Saluti
animæ suæ, quam pie et
tranquille reddidit
Anno Etat 76: Ano: Dom 1693
Septem' liberorum, quos ex Elizabetha
Dilectissima Uxore suscepit, filia
Rolandi frith de Thornes Generosi
Viri integerrimi, et ob suam erga
Regem & Ecclesiam fidem insignis
Unicus Superstes W: G. M: D:
Parenti optime de se merito
Hoc Monumentum L: M: poni curavit.

Thus TRANSLATED

In expectation of a blessed Immortality
Here lieth JOHN GIBBONS,
Descended from a genteel Family
In the County of Stafford,
A Man of real Probity and Modesty, &
From his Heart a Christian:
Who being long proved, but not broken
In adversity, did in an advanced Age
Retire to this most pleasant Town of Warwick,
Where the remainder of his Age
He dedicated to GOD alone and
The salvation of his Soul,

Which

Which He piouſly and calmly reſign'd
In the 76 years of his Age: of our Lord 1693
The only Survivour of ſeven Children which He begat of Elizabeth his beloved Wife (the Daughter of Roland Frith of Thornes Gent: a Man of great Integrity, and remarkable for his Fidelity to the King and to the Church) William Gibbons D. of Phyſick took Care to have this Monument erected to a Father, who deſerv'd his beſt Regards.

☞ Near the above Monument is the Entrance into the Lobby, and againſt the Eaſt Wall are four Tables of Benefactions to this Church and Pariſh, and Trophies belonging to Earl Brook's Family.

A little farther to the North are two Portraits in Braſs on a marble Monument with this Inſcription to Thomas Oken and Jone his Wyff. In the old Letter and Spelling.

Of your Charyte give Thanks for the Soules of Thomas Oken and Jone his Wyff—on whoſe Soules Jeſus hath Mercy, Jeſus hath Mercy — Amen — Remember the Charyte for the Pore for ever, Anno Dom: 1573.

Under

Under the Braſs upon a Marble Table: is inſcrib'd as follows.

To the Memory of Mr. Thomas Oken (an Ornament to his own, and a Bleſſing to Ages ſucceeding) this Monument defaced by the late dreadfull Fire, is re-erected, and dedicated by his Feoffees the Mayor and Aldermen of this Borough. whoſe Induſtry, being born here of mean Parents, was ſo bleſſed in the Trade He exerciſed of a Mercer, that 37th H: 8th He was Maſter of the Gild of the holy Trinity, and St. George, now the Hoſpital of the Right Honourable E. of Leiceſter, 5th of P. and Mariæ. Bailiff of this Borough. and dying 15th of Eliz. gave to pious and Charitable Uſes Here, an Eſtate, then let for leſs than 20l. per Ann. now, by the juſt Care of his Feoffees advanc'd notwithſtanding the Loſe of ſeveral Houſes by the late Fire, to more than 100 l. per. An. alſo 100 l. to purchaſe Lands to enlarge the Common. 30 l. to the Poor. 10 l. to 30 poor Maidens for Marriages. 94 Ounces of wrought Plate for the uſe of the Bailiffs ſucceſſively. And to the Borough of Stratford and Bambury 40 l. each to be lent to honeſt Tradeſmen. Vide Dugdale War.

This Charity Reader, was ſo wiſely inſtituted, and the Truſt ſo honeſtly executed that, if to thy Faith Thou art diſpos'd to joyn good Works, Thou needs ſeek no farther for a Model, or Encouragement. or Oportunity. for ye have the poor with you always.

At the North End is a marble Monument, with this Inſcription.

Juxta Situs Eſt
Franciſcus Chernocke Gen:
Antiqua Baronettorum cognominum
in Com: BEDF. familia oriundus,
Vir probus et liberalis,
Qui a quibuſdam Honoratiſs: Baronibus
et Illuſtriſs: Comitibus per quadraginta
fere annos Redituum Procurator
adhibitus, Munus illud Summa fide
peritia et dignitate utrobique geſſit
Ornavitque
Obiit quarto Aprilis A. D. 1727
Ætatis Suæ Sexageſimo nono
In Cujus, optimi Scil: patris, memoriam
Exile hoc Monumentum
Poſuit Robertus filius.

Thus TRANSLATED.

Near this Place lieth
Francis Chernocke Gent De

Deſcendant from an ancient Family
Which had the Sirname of Baronets
In the County of Bedford.
A Man of Probity and Liberality
Being employ'd as Steward
By ſome very honorable Barons
And illuſtrious Earls, for almoſt 40 years
He adorn'd and executed that Office in
every reſpect
With the greateſt Fidelity, Dignity, & ſkill
He died on the 4th Day of April A. D. 1727
of his Age 69
To whoſe Memory, as the beſt of Fathers
Robert his Son hath put up this ſmall
Monument.

At the ſame End is another marble Monument with this Inſcription.

S D G
Thomas Hewitt
Peccator Miſerrimus
Infra Sepultus,
Inſtabilitatis Humanæ,
Fragilitatis Vitæ
Certæque Mortis ſibi Obrepentis Memor,
(Cujus Exuvias in Subjacente Sepulchro,
Cum' Deo Opt: Max Viſum fuerit,
Depoſitas eſſe Volens)

Marmoream

Marmoream hanc Tabeliam
Poſt Obitum hic Erigendam
Vivus parabat:
Qui felicem præſtolans Reſurrectionem
Per Sola Chriſti Salvatoris Merita,
Immortalem efflavit Animam
Ultimo Die Januarij
Anno Unici Mediatoris noſtri
MDCCXXXVII.
Et Atatis Suæ
LXXIV
Neſcis qua Hora
Hodie itaque Reſipiſce
Ac æternum Salve.
T. H. Natus erat 19 Die Julij A. D. 1664
Diſce Mori,
ut Vivas.

Thus TRANSLATED.

Glory be to God alone.
THOMAS HEWIT
A moſt miſerable Sinner
buried underneath
Recalling to Mind the Inſtability and Frailty of human Life
And the certainty of Death creeping upon Him
(Being deſirous that his Remains ſhould be depoſited
In the ſubjacent Sepulchre. when it ſeems good
To GOD, the greateſt and beſt of Beings)

Did

Did in his Life prepare this Marble Table
To be erected in this Place after his Death.
Who waiting for a happy Reſurrection
Thro' the ſole merits of Chriſt his Saviour,
Breath'd out his immortal Soul
On the laſt day of January
In the year of our only Mediator 1737
and of his Age 74.
You know not at what Hour
Therefore repent to Day
And be ſaved for ever
T. H. was born 19th day of July A.D. 1664
Learn to die
That you may live

At the ſame End is alſo another marble Monument with this Inſcription:

Hunc prope Locum, in Sepulchro Camerato
Jacet
Gulielmus Johnſton, M. D. Coll Reg: MED:
LOND: Socius Senior.
Vir Probus, Juſtus, Honeſtus, verus Charitatis
Cultor.
Amator Gratitudinis, Conſtantis Memoriæ
Quæ plura cupis Benigna Lequatur Fama.
Obijt 22 die Novembris, Ano Dom 1725
Ætat Suæ 82
In eodem Sepulchro, conditur Anna Uxor ejus,
Quæ Ceſſum Trium Millium, Centumq; plus,
Minus Librarum, Quem Moriens reliquit
Univerſum (Debitis ſuis & Legatis prius Subductis)

in opportunum Egenorum Subſidium, Teſtamento ſuo, erogatum voluit;
quo, Fundos Suos omnes elocatos, una cum Bonis, quæcunq; ei ſupperebant, perſonalibus, primo quoque Tempore vendendos, et Pecunia inde accreſcenti, Fundos Liberos, in Comitatu Sitos WARWICENSI, emendos mandavit
Quorum uti & omnium, quas apud WARWICENSES habuit, Domorum Reditus annuos Pauperibus Hujus Burgi a Fidei Commiſſariis Singulis Annis diſtribuendos in perpetuum Legavit,
Obijt Quarto Die Aprilis, Ano Dni 1733
Ætat: ſuæ 84.

Thus TRANSLATED.

Near this Place in a Vault
Lieth
William Johnſon Doctor of Phyſick, Senior Fellow of the Royal College of Phyſicians in London.
A Man of Probity, Juſtice, Honeſty, who cultivated
In himſelf real Principles of Charity.
A Lover of Gratitude:
Do you deſire to know more of him,
Let propitious fame of never failing Memory
Speak the reſt.
He died on the 22d. day of Nov. A.D. 1725
In the ſame Vault is laid Ann his Wife
Who by her laſt Will commanded her whole Eſtate,
Of about 3000l. and 100 l. which ſhe left at her Death
(Her Debts and Legacies being firſt diſcharg'd)
To be laid out for the ſeaſonable Relief of poor People

By

By her Will She Likewiſe ordered
That all her Lands which were ſituated at a Diſtance,
Together with the perſonal Eſtates ſhe the then poſ-
ſeſs'd
To be ſold, the firſt Opportunity, and with the Money
thence ariſing
Other free hold Lands to be bought, ſituated in the
County of Warwick.
The Revenue of which as alſo of all the Houſes ſhe
Poſſeſs'd in Warwick, ſhe bequeath'd to Truſtees
to be laid out every Year, for the Poor of this
Borough for ever,
She died the 4th, day of April in the Year of our
Lord 1733 of her Age 84,

On the Weſt Wall of the croſs Iſle is a marble Monument with this Inſcription.

Near this Place are interr'd
The Bodies of George and Mary Webb
Late of this Town
He was a good Chriſtian
A tender Husband
A ſincere Friend
And a kind Benefactor to the Poor.
She a Woman
of exemplary Piety and Charity
Endued with all the Graces that
Adorn the Chriſtian Life
He died the 9th. of July A. D. 1732.
Aged 79 years.
She died the 17 of June A. D. 1743.
Aged 70 years.

Againſt

Againſt the North Iſle is a marble Monument with this Inſcription.

Juxta jacent
Steriles jam & elanguidi
Sacræ Quercus
Radix, Surculus, Ramuſculi.
Viz.
Franciſcus Holyoke als de Sacra Quercu
Radix
Thomas, Franciſci Surculus unicus:
Ambo Superioris Notæ Lexicographi
Juditha Franciſci, Anna Thomæ Uxor.
Quorum Thomæ Annæque Ramuſculi
Numero duodecim in Vita haud penitus
Obſcuri,
Quorum Unus,
Scholæ apud Rugby Com Varvici
per XLIII annos Moderator
Hanc Tabulam Annalium loco,
Erexit.
Qui & Ipſe contabuit x° die Martij
Anno { Dom: MDCCXXX.
Ætat: LXXII.

Thus TRANSLATED.

Not far from hence lie
Now indeed ſterile and languid
The Root, Shoot and Branches

of

of the holy Oake,
Viz.
Francis Holyoke, or the Root of the Holy Oake
Thomas the only Shoot of Francis
Both of them Lexicographers of Superior Character
Judith the Wife of Francis, Ann the Wife of Thomas,
The Branches of which Thomas and Ann, twelve in Number
Were not entirely of no Account in the world
One of which,
The Master of the School at Rugby
In the County of Warwick during 43 years
Erected this Table to supply the Place of Annals;
Who also himself withered away on the 10th day of March
In the Year { of our Lord 1730. / of his Age 72 }

In the Lobby is a marble Monument with a modest but very elegant Latin Inscription

Si quæras Viator, Quis hic Jacet
Paucis habe,

Fui

Fui Franciſcus Parker,
Londini Natus, Eductus Cantabrigiæ,
Ubi obtinui, neſcio an merui,
Artium Magiſtri gradum:
Inſervjj
Dominis, Franciſco Roberto, Fulconi Brooke
Aſtudijs, ab Epiſtolis, a Rationibus;
Annos præterpropter quadraginta quinque
Quam integre quam aſſidue;
Superſtites, qui noruht, dicant.
Deceſſi Londini
In Ædibus, quibus pleruſq degeram,
Brookianis
10 die Novembris.
Anno { Dom. 1693.
Ætat: 67.
Cum Dominis meis iuxta abdormiſcentibus
Reſurgens Lœtus audiam
Euge bone et fidelis ſerve

Thus TRANSLATED.

If you enquire, Traveller who is the Man that lies here take the account in few Words;

I was Francis Parker
Born at London, educated at Cambridge,
Where I obtain'd (I know not whether I deſerv'd

deſerv'd it)
The Degree of Maſter of Arts.
I ſerved
The Lords Francis, Robert, Fulk Brook,
In the Character of Tutor, Secretary and Steward
For almoſt forty five Years
With what integrity and aſſiduity
Let the Survivors, who know it, declare:
I deceas'd at London
In the Houſe belonging to the Brooks,
wherein I generally liv'd,
On the 10th day of November

in the Year { of our Lord 1693
of my Age 67.

When I riſe again with my Lords who are ſleeping near me, may I hear the Joyful Eulogy,
Well done thou good, and faithfull Servant!

On the South ſide of the Choir Gates is a marble Monument with this Inſcription.

In Obitum Johannis Norton Generoſi,
Hujus municipij nuper Seneſcalli, et deput Recordatoris
Qui Obijt, Sep. 14. 1635,
Sed non totus Obijt. melior pars Æthere Vivit,
Dum

Dum Terra meritis debita Fama Viget.
Frater amabs, Conjux fidus Virtutis et Æqui
Cultor erat; Nequeunt hæc monumenta Mori.
Ad Latus JOHANNIS jacet Uxor Iſrael THO: WOODWARD Filia.
Aliquando de Butl. Marſton in Agro Warw: Generoſis;
Quæ ob eximiam pietatem memorabilis,
Evita deceſſit, Nov: 29. 1615.
Juxta Sepulta eſt ANNA NORTON HENRICI PORTER Filia,
Nuper de Edgberſton in Com. Warw: Generoſi,
Vidua THOMÆ NORTON, prædicti joh: et Iſra Filij Unici,
(Apud Knole in Eodem Com: humati)
Hæc anniſ et pietate matura, Vitam depoſuit,
Maij 14: 1698
Epitaphium, in memoriam JOH: NORTON, Incendio diruto,
A: D: 1694 de novo poſuerunt cum infra Scriptis,
Nepotes JOH: et EDW: NORTON A. D 1709

Thus TRANSLATED.

On the Death of John Norton Gent:
Of this Borough Steward and deputy Recorder who died Sept. 14 1635
But he's not wholly dead,—his better Part
In Heaven lives — while Fame due to his Deeds
Still flouriſhes on Earth;— a Brother kind,
A Husband faithfull, in whoſe Breaſt were ſown
Strong Principles of Virtue, and of Right.
Theſe immaterial Monuments defy

Death's

Death's mortal Sting — and Times corroding Tooth

At the ſide of John, lieth his Wife Iſrael, Daughter of Thomas Woodward, ſometime of Butlers Marſton in the County of Warwick Gentleman; — who memorable for her excellent Piety departed from this Life Nov. 29th 1615.

Near this Place is buried Ann Norton Daughter of Henry Porter lately of Egberſton of the County of Warwick Gentleman, Widow of Thomas Norton only Son of the before mention'd John and Iſrael (who was buried at Knowle in the ſame County.)

She being mature in Piety and Age laid down this Life May 14th. 1698.

The Epitaph on the Memory of John Norton being deſtroy'd by Fire. A D. 1694 was put up afreſh with the underwritten Lines by his Grand Children John and Edward Norton. A D. 1709

Farther on is a Marble Monument with the Effigies in Braſs of Thomas Beauchamp and his Wife. with this Inſcription.

D. O. M, et Æternæ Memoriæ Sacrum

ET D. Qui

Qui Templum hoc frustra in mausoleum, ipsaq;
Aras in Refugium habuit,
E Somno, quo Trecentos amplius annos jacuit Sepultus,
Quemq non nisi Communi Rerum Rogo perturbatum
iri putarat, experrectus,
Assurgit ecce, et adstat
vir ille inclytus pietate et bellica Virtute æque insignis,
Regum nunc Amor, nunc Invidia, Regno semper
dilectus;
Fortunæ aliquamdiu lusus, tandem Victor, blandienti
Par, Novercante Major;
Heroum, Nominis Semper Gallicæ terribilis tantum
non ultimus,
THOMAS de BELLOCAMPO Comes VARVICI,
Insularum GURNSEY, SERKE et AURENEY Præfectus,
Ordinis Periscelidis Eques,
EDVARDO III Principi Fœlici, invicto, ob res egregias
ANGLIA et GALLIA gestas in paucis charus.
RICHARDO II Minorenni per Conventum Regni
Ordinum Curator Admotus:
Eodem Rege Sui aut Suorum potius juris facto, majes-
tatis damnatus, in MANNIAM deportatus,
Ab HENRICO IV ad Census et Honores postliminio
revocatus:
Qui, cum Satis Patriæ, sibi, et Gloriæ suæ vixisset,
Una cum MARGARETA Uxore sua hic contumulatus,
ANNO DOM. MCCCCI.
Ne in Cineribus Ædis hujus Collegiatæ, quam ipse:
extruxerat, periret et Monumentum,
sepulchrale fundatoris, Imagines hasce sacrilegis
erepras Flammis, erigi curavit Unus
e FIDEICOMMISSARIIS ad URBEM et ÆDEM hanc SACRAM
redificandas Senatus Decreto constitutis
et Memoriæ tanti Nominis Æreæ et Marmore perennioris
Hoc quali quali Elogio Parentat
ANNO DOM. MDCCVI.

Thus

Thus TRANSLATED.

Sacred

To the beſt and greateſt God, and to eternal Memory.

Having had this Temple in vain for his Maſoleum and its Altars for his Refuge, but awak'd from that Sleep in which he had lain buried more than three hundred Years, and which he thought wou'd not be diſturb'd, but by the general Conflagration, lo there now ariſeth and ſtandeth before you.

That famous Man equally renowned for his Piety and Valour: One while the love, another while the Envy of Kings; always belov'd by the Kingdom: Sometime the Sport of Fortune, at length her Conqueror: Equal to her Smiles: Greater than her Frowns: almoſt the laſt of a Name always terrible to France.

Thomas Beauchamp Earl of Warwick; Governor of the Iſles of Guernſey, Serke, and Aureney; Knight of the Order of the Garter. Of ſome Eſteem with the fortunate invincible Prince Edward the 3d, on account of his famous Exploits perform'd in England and France, Promoted by a Convention of the Orders of the Realm to be Governor to Richard the 2d during his

Minority. Condemn'd for high Treaſon when the ſame King was made Maſter of himſelf, or rather of his Subjects. Baniſh'd to the Iſle of Man: recall'd from Baniſhment by Henry the 4th to his Eſtate and Honours: who when he had liv'd long enough for his Country, himſelf, and his Reputation, was together with his Wife Margarett buried in this Place.

In the year of our Lord 1401.

That the ſepulchral Monument of the Founder might not periſh in the Aſhes of this Collegiate Church which he himſelf had built, — Theſe Images ſnatch'd from the Sacrilegious Flames, were erected by the Care of one of the Commiſſioners appointed by Act of Parliament for the rebuilding the Town and this ſacred Church; and who offers this Elogium, ſuch as it is, as a kind of funeral Obſeque to the Memory of ſo great a Name, a Name more durable than Braſs or Marble.

Anno Dom: 1706

Next to which is that Auguſt Frontiſpiece in the gothick Taſte Deſigned, built, carved and finiſhed in Warwick ſand Stone in the year 1704. by a Poor Maſon of Warwick, the entrance to the Lady's Chapel.

At

At the South End of the croſs Iſle is a marble Monument with this Inſcription,

In a Vault near this Place lieth the Body of HENRY BEAUFOY Eſq. of EDMONDSCOT in the County of WARWICK; — deſcended of an ancient and noble Family of NORMANDY, who came into ENGLAND at the Conqueſt; — He married MARY the Daughter of Sir WALTER WALKER Bart: who left three Sons, HEN: HERCULES and WALTER who lie buried with him in this Vault and four Daughters, MARY, LUCY, MARTHA, and ELIZABETH.

He had in this Place a large Tomb erected by his Widow for him, that was deſtroy'd by the Fire of WARWICK; for which Reaſon MARTHA his laſt ſurviving Daughter at her Deceaſe did at her own Charge and deſire cauſe this Monument and Inſcription to be erected, as a Small Remembrance of her much honoured Father: — She Married Sir SAM: GARTH Knight D. of Phyſick, and left one only Daughter and Heireſs, BEAUFOY, who married WM. BOYLE Eſq. Son to the

lon. HENRY BOYLE, and the Right lon. Lady Mary his Wife — Son and aughter of the Right Hon. the Earl of)rrery and Inchiquein of the Kingdom f Ireland.

[without Date]

gainſt the Wall of the South Iſle is a narble Monument with this Inſcription,

QUI HIC DORMIT
WILHELMUS VINER.

uit olim Illuſtriſſimo domino fulconi lomino Brook, per annos fere quadraginta)economus, quemque munere Suo. ſumma ide, ſolertiaque defunctum, eo in pretio abuit honoratiſſimus Baro, ut hinc petens eatas ſedes eum illis accenſurit quibus uram Teſtamenti ſui delegavit. Vir plane ntiquis moribus, Et cui parem effuſa ræſertim dextra, vix invenetis. Scholas us admodum horidas. et ruinæ propiores, lteram Norlechæ in agro Gloceſtrienſi,) hac urbe alteram. Sumptu non exiguo re-integravit. et oppido elegantes reddidit. Quin et hanc Warwicenſem perennat Sex li-rarum reditu (ut et hoſpitium quod eſt Le-ningtoniæ ſeſquilibrali) auxit, Magna hæc

in

in censu non magno, quippe centum annuas non superante, et quatuor filiolis futuro patrimonio, coelitibus, mature sibi præmature suis, Septuagenarius, accessit Aprilis xxviii Anno Domini 1639.

Thus TRANSLATED.

He who sleeps here was William Viner, Steward to the most Illustrous Lord, Fulk Lord Brook, during the space of almost forty Years: And who having discharg'd his Office with the greatest Fidelity, and skill, was held in such Esteem by the very honourable Baron, that when he endeavoured to secure a happy Seat in Heaven, on his removal hence, he added him to Those to whom he committed the care of his last Testament. — A Man entirely of ancient Manners, and to whom you will scarcely find any equal, particularly in Point of Liberality. Two Schools in a very wretched Condition and almost ruined, the one at Norlech, in the County of Gloucester, the other in this Town, he with no small expence repaired, and render'd very elegant. Besides the Revenue of this School in Warwick He improv'd with the perpetual Addition of six Pounds per Annum:

as also the Revenue of the Hospital of Lemington with 30 Shillings per Annum: These considerable Things he did with no considerable Estate: It not exceeding one hundred Pounds yearly, including a Patrimony to be left to four Children. — He was added to the Number of the Heavenly Inhabitants, maturely for himself, but prematurely for his Friends, in his 70th year on the 28th of April Anno Dom: 1639.

THE CHOIR.

THIS Structure and the adjoyning Chapel do equally demonstrate, how closely in the Persuit of Nature's best Directions, our Ancestors design'd and built; — a nobly awfull, and elegantly pleasing Taste harmoniously blended is there expresed in Stone; and sympathetically, affects each sensible Surveyor with adequate Ideas to the Place; — where no redundant Sameness or Diversity satiates, or even palls, the most enliven'd Fancy; — nor is there one Beauty wanting, either to feed, or nourish the most exalted Judgment.

Entering the Choir by three Stone steps, on either side there are two Ranges of Stalls &c. in four Directions of the most wonderfull

and delightfull ſtone Ceiling, are carv'd and enrich'd the Founders Arms, alſo his two Wives Arms quarter'd with his, emboſom'd by Seraphims: there are four Floors, each aſcending one Step above another to the Altar, which tho' modern, and not quite appropriate to the Antiquity of the Building, is eſteem'd a very excellent Piece of Joynery: — the Eaſt Window is replete with Painting upon Glaſs of ſacred Hiſtory &c.

On the South ſide fix'd to a Slab of marble is a braſs Plate with An Epitaph upon the Death of Mrs Elizabeth Chowne who died the laſt day of Auguſt. 1597.

Here lies Elizabeth twice happy Wife
Of two good virtuous Men bleſt from above
With both and without both, a godly Life
'Till ſeventy five ſhe liv'd, in perfect Love,
Reſting a Widow eight and twenty Years
Loving to ſee her deareſt Iſſue wed
Before her God in Glory ſhe appears
Her Corps feed Worms, her Soul by
Chriſt is fed.
Anno Ætatis 75

Nearer the Altar is a high poliſhed marble

ble Monument with this Inſcription.

Beatam placide Expectans Reſurectionem
Sub isto tumulo requieſcit Thomas Puck-
ering miles Et Baronetus, filivs Johannis
Puckering, Domini Cuſtodis magni Sigilli
Angliæ, Natu minimus: Hæres tamen
Duobus prioribus in infantia à Morte Ab-
ſorptis, qui tametſi Apueritia, in Aula regia
per Septennium innutritus, in eoq Honoris
atq favoris gradu, ut ſolus Henrico Principi,
Jacobi Regis filio primogenito, Studiorum
particeps admiſſus eſſet, pervagatus poſtea
majorem Cultioremq Chriſtiani orbis per
quatvor fere annos partem, reverſus tamen
in patriam vitam aulicam poſt mortem in-
comparabilis illius principis heri ſui Cle-
mentiſſimi atq amantiſſimi (quem deus om-
nipotens pro Summa in ipſum miſericordia
et ivſta in popvlvm ingratum indignatione
ſibi in cælum aſſumpſerat) reamplecti nolvit
quin pertæſus vtriviq vitæ tam avlicæ quam
vrbanæ illecebras, ruſticam (Ut pote deo I
inſerviendo Sibiq vacando maxime idoneam
deinceps degere elegit, in qua conſtanter
perſeverans, ſingulis muneribus functus que
ſive regio favore, ſive populari benevolentia,
in eqveſtris dignitatis viros Benemeritos ruri

agentes

agentes conferri Solent, cursum feliciter peregit, annum agens ætatis suæ quadragessimum quintum.

Vxorem Habuit vnam Elizabetham, nempe filiam vnicam Johanis Morley Equi-auratitis ex provincia Sussexiana: filias ex ea suscepit tres, quarum, maxima natu francisca infans occubuit, secunda Cecilia meritopatri ter charissima, senex (quod vix credi poterit) singulari pietate, ætate Juvenis decimo tertio anno ætatis suæ mundo valedixit, tertia vltima Jana 7m. agens annum Jam superstes Sola Mox est moritura.

Thus TRANSLATED:

In the calm Expectation of a happy Resurrection.

Under this Tomb resteth Tho. Puckering, Knight and Baronet, youngest Son of John Puckering Lord Keeper of the great Seal of England, yet Heir to his two elder Brothers snatch'd away in their Infancy by Death: Who notwithstanding his Education in the royal Palace for the space of seven years, and his having attain'd to high a Degree of Honour as to be the only Person admitted fellow Student to Prince Henry, eldest son to King James, and notwithstanding his having travell'd thro' the greater

l more polite Part of the Chriſtian
l for almoſt four years, yet upon his
n to his Country, would not again
race the Life of a Courtier after the
of that incomparable Prince his moſt
us and affectionate Maſter (whom
Almighty thro' his great Mercy to
ınd juſt Indignation to an ungratefull
: had taken to himſelf to Heaven)
ing weary of the alluring Charms,
attend a Court and a City Life, he
ards choſe to live in the Country, as
hod of Life moſt proper for the ſerv-
God, and giving him an opportunity
at Leiſure for himſelf: In which
ıtly perſevering, after having diſ-
l thoſe particular Offices, which ei-
r royal Favour or the good Will of
ople are uſually conferred on deſerv-
rſons, who enjoy the Hon. of Knight-
nd ſpend their time in the Country,
pily finiſhed this Courſe in the forty
ar of his Age.

had one Wife, Elizabeth the only
ter of John Morley Knight of the
of Suſſex, by whom he had three
ters: The eldeſt of which. Fran-
l an Infant: The Second Cecilia
being

being deservedly very dear to her Father, and, which is scarce credible, old in singular Piety, tho' young in years! bid farewell to the World in the 13th year of her Age. The third and last Daughter Jane aged 7 years now survives, who also herself must soon must die.

Upon three Plates of Brass fix'd to a flat Stone are these Inscriptions.

Sacred to the Memory of Cisley Puckering, second Daughter of Thomas Puckering Knight and Baronet, who being betrothed to Christ died 9th of April in the Year of our Lord 1636. of her Age. 13

Anagram.

Mistress Cissely Puckering
I Sleep secure; Christ's my King.
Death's Terrors, nought affright Me nor his sting.
I sleep secure for Christ's my Sovereign King.

Epitaph

Birth, Breeding, Beauty, Grace, and Carriage sweet.
In thee dear Saint did altogether meet.
The Sun ne'er saw a comlier Face than thine

No

Nor Heaven receiv'd a Spirit more divine
Thrice happy Parents such a Child to breed
Begot again of God's Immortal Seed
Cease sorrowing then sith Saints and Angels sing
To see her match'd with an eternal King.

In the midst of the Choir lieth beneath a massy Tomb of Composition of Plaister with a marble Cornish (now without Inscription.)

" Thomas Beauchamp Earl of Warwick,
" and Lady Katherine Mortimer his Wife.
" He died 13th. of November in the for-
" ty third year of King Edward the third
" Anno Dom. 1370. She died the 4th.
" day of August the same year.

On the two Sides, also on the Ends of this Tomb are 36 Images of Weepers, Standing upon as many Coats of Arms.

I. I

The same Earl founded the Choir and dying also in the aforesaid Year, his Son Thomas Earl of Warwick finish'd that Building as it now stands in the 15th Year of Richard the 2d. Anno Dom. 1392. He also from the Death of his Father rebuilt the Church

Church as it ſtood before the Fire of Warwick, and finiſhed it in the 17th of Richard the Second. Anno Dom. 1394 Likewiſe in the ſame Year finiſh'd Guy's Tower (as it is vulgarly call'd) belonging to the Caſtle.

Richard Beauchamp Earl of Warwick Son of the next above Thomas was Founder by Will, of the noble Chapel dedicated to the Virgin Mary, which was begun in the 21ſt. of Henry the ſixth Anno Dom: 1443. And finiſh'd in the third of Edward the 4th. 1464 the Coſt of which including the Magnificient Tomb &c. Amounted to the Sum of L 2481-4-7 (as per Dugdale) when Wheat was at 3s. 4 per Quarter, the Proportionate Value of Money, when Corn is at the modern medium of 5s. per. Buſhell, which is twelve times the Sum amounts to L 29774-15-0.

Underneath the whole Floor of the Choir is a Vault commonly call'd the Bone Houſe chiefly uſed as a Burial Place for the Mayors, and Body corporate of this Borough.

North of the Choir are three diſtinct Rooms or Buildings very ſubſtantial The firſt

first from the Body of the Church, is the Lobby, (now the Fire Engine Room) in which is a marble Monument as before mention'd,

The farthest Room is a spacious Library or Vestry Room, under which was the Friers Kitchen.

"The middle is an Octagon Room call-
"ed the Chapter House; --- which was
"converted to another Use, by the Right
"Hon: Fulke Lord Brook, who in his
"Life Time erected a very stately and
"elegant Monument for himself and
"Family, of black and white marble.
"The Epitaph or Inscription round his
"Tomb thus.

Fulke Grevil, Servant to Queen Elizabeth, Councellor to King James, and Friend to Sir Philip Sydney.

THE CHAPEL, of St. MARY.

ENTERING into which,-- we decend by a Flight of Twelve Stone Steps, On each ſide are ſtalls &c. as in the Choir of the Church; -- The Floors being three in Number of black and white marble, are at unequal Diſtances, aſcending by one ſtep each towards the Altar, which, is modern, of very valuable Marble, excellently executed.--Rais'd againſt the Wall on either ſide the Altar, is a Shrine, of very delicate Workmanſhip particularly as their Matter is only the common ſand Stone of the Town, thus uncommonly modified, in which ſhrines (according to DUGDALE) were formerly repoſited two Images of pure Gold, 20lb weight each; there are ſeveral more ſhrines, and other Cabinet Curi-

ofities interſpers'd in this Building. In the Verge and in the two Muntles or Diviſions of the Eaſt Window are forty ſix Images of Angels and Saints, very curiouſly Wrought in Warwick ſand Stone, alſo in the ſame and middle-South Windöw are ſacred Hiſtorical, and Family Portraits in Glaſs; Behind the Altar is the Library Built by the famous John Rous; To the North ſtands the Confeſſional and Gallery of exquiſite Deſign, beyond which riſing by five ſteps very much worn, is the Confeſſion ſeat, very obſcure, yet very curious, where thro' the Partician Wall, is an oblique ſquare hole to the Choir, through which Confeſſion was made.

" In the middle of the Chapel lieth " upon a Tomb of Marble, in full Stature " the Effigy of Richard Beauchamp Earl " of Warwick in Armour all made of " fine Latten Braſs doubly Gilt; at his " Head there is a Swan, at his right " Foot a Bear muzl'd at his left Foot a " Griffin; over the ſaid Monument is a " Hearſe of Braſs Gilt, made deſignedly " to ſupport a Covering over the curious " Repoſitory of the Remains of this one " great

" great Earl.---Round about his Tomb
" ſtand fourteen Images of braſs all Gilt;
" under the Feet of each of Them is a
" Coat of Arms; ---- Theſe Images are
" reſembling fourteen Lords and Ladys
" call'd Weepers.

At the Head of the Tomb.

" Henry Beauchamp Duke of Warwick
" and Lady Cecill his Wife Daughter to
" Richard Nevil Earl of Salisbury.

On the South Side.

" The firſt Richard Nevil Earl of Salis-
" bury; the Second Edmund Beaufort
" Duke of Somerſet: the third Humph-
" ry Stafford Duke of Buckingham the
" Fourth John Talbot Earl of Shrewſ-
" bury; the Fifth Richard Nevil Earl of
" Warwick.

At the Foot of the Tomb.

" George Nevil Lord Latimer and
" Elizabeth his Wife, Daughter to Rich-
" ard Beauchamp Earl of Warwick.

On

On the North Side.

" The first Allice Daughter and Heir " to Thomas Montague Earl of Salisbury " Wife to Richard Nevil Earl of Salis- " bury, the Second Eleanor Daughter to " Richard Beauchamp Earl of Warwick " and Wife to Edmund Beaufort Duke " of Somerset. The third Anne the " Daughter to Ralph Nevil Earl of " Westmoreland, Wife to Humphry Staf- " ford Duke of Buckingham: the fourth " Margarett eldest Daughter to Richard " Beauchamp Earl of Warwick, Wife " to John Talbot Earl of Shrewsbury; " the fifth Anne Daughter to Richard " Beauchamp Earl of Warwick, Wife to " Richard Earl of Salisbury:---- Besides " These there stand round about his " Tomb eighteen lesser Images made of " Brass and gilt, resembling Angels, with " this Lable--- GLORY AND PRAISE BE " TO GOD, mercy to the Dead!

The Inscription about his TOMB engrav'd in Brass, in the uncouth Diction and Spelling, is as follows.

" Prieth

Prieth devoutly for the Sowel whom God assoile one of the most worshipfull Knights in his days of manhode and conning, Richard Beauchamp, late Earl of Warwick Lord Despencer of Bergevenny, of many other grete lordships; whose body resteth here under this tumbe in a ful feire vout of stone set on the bare rooch, the which visited with longe sikhes in the Castle of Roan therinne decessed full crystenly the last day of Aprill the yer of oure Lord God 1439. He being at that time lieutenant genall And governor of the Rojalms of fraunce, and of the Duchie of Normandie by sufficient auctorite of our Sovaine lord the King Harry the sixth, the which body with grete deliberacon and ful worshipful Condult by See and by lond was brought to Warrewik the third day of October the yer abovesaid and was leide with ful Soleme exequies in a feir Chust made of Stone in this Church, afore the west door, of this Chapel according to his last wille and testament therein to reste, til this Chapel by him devised in his lief were made, at the whiche Chapel founded on the rooch

" and alle the membres therof, his execu-
" tours dede fully make and apparaille, by
" the auctorite of his leide last wille and
" Testament and thereafter by the same
" auctorite then dide translate ful worship-
" fully the said body into the vout above
" saide; --- honired be God theffore; "

On the north Side of the Chapel lys the much admir'd marble Statues of Robert Dudley Earl of Leicester and Lady Lettice his Wife Countess of Leicester, upon a magnificent TOMB of Marble, incloſ'd with Iron Rails -- with this Inſcription

" DEO VALENTIUM
" Spe certa reſurgendi in Chriſto, hic ſitus
" eſt illuſtriſſimus Robertus Dudleyus, Johannis
" Ducis Northumbriæ Comitis Warwici,
" Vicecomitis Inſulæ &c filius quintus, Comes
" Leceſtriæ; Baro Denbighiæ, ordinis, tum S.
" Georgii, tum S. Michaelis, Eques auratus;
" Reginæ Elizabethæ [apud quem Singulari
" gratia florebat] Hippocomus; Regiæ Aulæ
" ſubinde Seneſchallus; ab intimis Conſiliis:
" foreſtarum, parcorum, Chacearum &c citra
" Trenthan ſummus Juſticiarius: Exercitus

Anglici

Anglici a dicta Regina Eliz: missi in Belgio, ab Anno MDLXXXV. ad Annum MDLXXXVII. Locum tenens et Capitaneus generalis: provinciarum Confederatarum ibidem Gubernator generalis et præfectus, Regnig Angliæ locum tenens contra Philippum II. Hispanum, numerosa Classe et Exercitu Angliam MDLXXXVIII. Invadentem.

Animam deo servatori reddidit anno salutis MDLXXXVIII. die quarto Septembris Optimo, et charissimo marito, mœstissima uxor Leticia Francisci Knolles prædinis S Georgii equitis aurati, et Reginæ Thesaurarij filia, amoris et conjugalis fidei ergo, posuit.

Thus TRANSLATED

Sacred to the GOD of the Living.

In certain hope of a Resurrection in Christ, here lieth the most illustrious Robert Dudley, fifth Son of John Duke of Northumberland, Earl of Warwick, Viscount Lisle &c. He was Earl of Leicester, Baron of Denbigh, Knight both of the Order of the Garter and St. Michael, master of the Horse to Queen Elizabeth, who distinguish'd

guish'd him by particular Favour. Soon after Steward of the Queens Houshold, Privy Counciller, Justice in Eyre of the Forests Parks Chaces &c on this side Trent from the year 1585 to the year 1587, Lieutenant and Captain General of the English Army sent by the said Queen Elizabeth to the Netherlands, Governor General and Commander of the Provinces united in that Place. Lieutenant Governor of England against Philip the Second of Spain in the year 1588, when He was preparing to invade England with a numerous Fleet and Army. He gave up his Soul to God his Saviour on the 4th day of September in the year of Salvation 1588.

His most sorrowful Wife Lætitia Daughter of Francis Knoiles Knight of the Order of the Garter, and Treasurer to the Queen, hath put up this Monument to the best and dearest Husband.

Near the above Monument is wrote (upon a gilt Table fix'd against the Wall) the subsequent Verses, upon the Death of the excellent and pious Lady Lettice Countess of Leicester, who died upon Christmas Day in the Morning 1634.

Look

Look in this Vault and ſearch is well
Much Treaſure in it lately fell;
Wee all are rob'd and all do ſay
Our Wealth was carryed this away;
And that the Theft might ne'er be found
'Tis buried clofely under Ground;
Yet if you gently ſtirr the Mould,
There all our Loſs you may behold;
There may you ſee that Face, that Hand
Which once was faireſt in the Land;
She that in her younger years
Match'd with two great engliſh Peers
She that did ſupply the Warrs
With Thunder, and the Court with Stars;
She that in her youth had been
Darling to the maiden Queen,
'Till She was content to quit
Her Favour for her Favourite
Whoſe gold Thread when She ſaw ſpun
And the Death of her brave Son,
Thought it ſafeſt to retire
From all Care and vain Deſire
To a private country Cell
Where ſhe ſpent her days ſo well,
That to Her the better ſort
Came as to an holy Court;
And the Poor that lived near
Death nor Famine cou'd not fear

Whilſt

Whilſt ſhe liv'd, She lived thus
'Till that God diſpleas'd with Us
Suffer'd Her at laſt to fall
Not from Him, but from us All;
And becauſe ſhe took delight
Chriſt's poor Members to invite,
He fully now requites her Love
And ſend his Angels from above
That did to Heaven her ſoul convey
To ſolemnize his own Birth-Day.

Gervas Clifton

The next Monument, is a very curious Marble of Ambroſe Dudley's Earl of Warwick lying in full Stature in Armour, with this Inſcription in Engliſh.

Here under this Tomb lieth the Corps of the Lord Ambroſe Dudley, who after the deceaſes of his elder Brethren without Iſſue, was Son and Heir to John Duke of Northumberland; To whome Queen Elizabeth in the Firſt year of her Reign gave Mannor of Kibworth-Beauchamp in the County of Leiceſter, to be held, by being Pantler to the Kings and Queens of this Realm at their Coronation, which Office

and

and Mannour his said Father and other his Ancestors Earls of Warwick held; --- In the second year of her Reign, the said Queen gave him the Office of Master of the Ordnance; --- in the fourth year of her said Reign, She created Him Baron Lisle and Earl of Warwick; --- in the same year she made Him Lieutenant General in Normandy, and during the Time of his Service there, He was chosen Knight of the noble Order of the Garter: --- In the Twelveth year of her Reign the said Earl, and Edward Lord Clinton Lord Admiral of England, were made Leiuetenants joyntly, and severally, of her Majesty's Army in the North Parts; --- In the Thirteenth year of her Reign the said Queen bestow'd on him the Office of chief Butler of England; --- and in the Fiveteenth year of her said Reign was sworn of her privy Council: --- who departed this Life without Issue, the 21st Day of February 1589, at Bedford House near the City of London, from whence as Himself desir'd, his Corps was convey'd and interr'd in this Place; --- near his Brother Robert Earl of Leicester and others his noble Ancestors: which was accomplish'd by his last and beloved Wife the Lady Ann

Countess

Countess of Warwick who in futher Testimony of her faithfull Love towards Him bestow'd this Monument as a Remembrance of him.

On the North side of the Tomb under their peculier Coats of Arms, finely Wrought in Marble are the following Inscription.

1st. John Dudley Esqr; second Son to John Lord Dudley and Knight of the Garter marryed Elizabeth Daughter and Heir to John Bramshot Esqr; and had Issue Edmund Dudley.

2d. Edmund Dudley Esqr; one of the privy Counsel to King Henry the 7th married Elixabeth sister and sole Heir to John Grey, Viscount Lisle; descen'd as Heir of the eldest Daughter and Coheir of Richard Beauchamp Earl of Warwick and Elizabeth his Wife, Daughter and Heir of the Lord Berkley, and Heir of the Lord Lisle and Ties, and had Issue John Duke of Northumberland.

3d. John Duke of Northumberland Earl of Warwick, Viscount Lisle, and Knight of the Garter married Jane Daughter, and Heir of Sir Edward Guildeford Knight,

and

and Eleanor his Wife Sister and Coheir to Thomas Lord Lawatre and had Iſſue the Lord Ambroſe.

On the South ſide of the Tomb under their peculiar Coats of Armes, finely Wrought in Marble are the following Inſcriptions.

1ſt. The ſaid Lord Ambroſe Dudley married to his firſt Wife, Ann Daughter and Coheir of William Whorwood Eſq; attorney General to King Henry the 8th.

2d. The ſaid Lord Ambroſe married to his Second Wife Elizabeth Daughter of Sir Gilbert Taylboys Knight, Sister and ſole Heir of George Lord Taylboys.

3d. The ſaid Ambroſe after he was Earl of Warwick married to his Third Wife the Lady Ann eldeſt Daughter of Francis Ruſſel Earl of Bedford, Knight of the Garter.

The next Monument is the Son's of Robert Dudley Earl of Leiceſter, on the South ſide near the Eaſt end of the Chapel.

with this Inscription.

Here resteth the Body of the Noble Impe Robert Dudley Baron of Denbigh, Son of Robert Earl of Leicester; Nephew and Heir unto Ambrose Earl of Warwick, Brethern, both Sons of the mighty Prince John late Duke of Northumberland; He was Cousin and Heir to Sir John Gray Viscount Lisle, Nephew and Heir to the Lady Margaret Countess of Shrewsbury the eldest Daughter and Coheir of the noble Earl of Warwick Sir Richard Beauchamp here Interr'd, — a Child of great Parentage, but of far greater hope and towardness, taken from this transitory unto the everlasting Life in his tender Age, at Wanstead in Essex the 19th of July in the year of our Lord God 1584. — being the 26th year of the happy Reign of the most virtuous and godly Princess Queen Elizabeth, and in this Place laid up among his noble Ancestors in assured hope of the general Resurrection.

Against the north Wall is a marble Table with this Inscription

To the Memory of the Lady Katherine, late

late Wife of Sir Richard Levenſon of Trentham in the County of Stafford, Knight of the Bath, one of the Daughters and Coheirs of Sir Robert Duddley Knight, Son to Robert late Earl of Leiceſter, by Alicia his Wife, Daughter to Sir Thomas, Leigh of Stoneley Knight and Baronet, created Dutcheſs Dudley by King Charles the firſt in regard that her ſaid Huſband leaving this Realm, had the Title of a Duke conferr'd upon him by Ferdinand the 11th Emperor of Germany which Honourable Lady taking Notice of theſe Tombs of her noble Anceſtors being much blemiſh'd by conſuming Time, but more by the rude Hands of impious People, where in danger of utter Ruin, by the decay of this Chapel if not timely prevented, did in her life time give fifty Pounds, for its ſpeedy Repair. — and by her laſt Will and Teſtament bearing date 18th December 1673 bequeath forty Pounds per Annum Iſſuing out of her Manner of Foxley in the County of Northampton, for its perpetual Support and preſervation of theſe Monuments, in their proper ſtate, the Surpluſage to be, for the poor Brethren of her Grandfather's Hoſpital in this Borough; Appointing William

liam Douglale of Blythe-Hall in this County Esq. (who represented to her the Necessity of this good Work) and his Heirs, together with the Master of Warwick for the Time being, to be her Trustees therein.

THE END.

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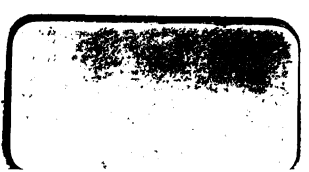
p. 10 l. 6. for Oportunity, read Opportunity
Page 15. l. 3. for she the then possess'd. read she then possess'd.
p. 26. l. 16. for accensurit. read accensuerit.
p. 31. l. 6. for Equiavrati tis. read Equitis aurati.
p. 44. last Line, for 1734 — 1634.
p. 45. l. 1. for is well. read it well.
p. 47. l. 6. for Boron. read Baron.
P. 48. l. 6. for peculier. read peculiar.
—— l. 15. for Elizabeth. read Elizabeth.